IN RECOGNITION OF LIEUTENANT ALLEN H. TOMLIN, JR., FOR RE-CEIVING THE ROBERT JACKSON EURY MEMORIAL AWARD

## HON. RICHARD HUDSON

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Mr. HUDSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Kannapolis Police Department's Lieutenant Allen H. Tomlin, Jr. for receiving the Robert Jackson Eury Memorial Award.

A native of Concord, North Carolina, Lieutenant Tomlin began his career with the Cabarrus County Sheriff's Office in July 1997. He joined the Kannapolis Police Department in September 1998, serving as a Field Training Officer from September 2000 until becoming a Master Police Officer in January 2011. Shortly afterward, he was promoted to Sergeant, and then made Lieutenant in June 2019. Allen is a member of KPD's Special Response Team as a trained negotiator.

Allen holds an Advance Law Enforcement Certificate from the N.C. Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission and has completed more than 3,007 hours of professional training. Kannapolis Police Chief Terry Spry refers to Allen as a quiet hero who truly embraces a servant leadership philosophy, serving with exceptional character, courage, and commitment.

The Robert Jackson Eury Memorial Award is presented in memory of Robert Jackson Eury, a man who lost his life in the line of duty while serving as a Cabarrus County law enforcement officer. This award keeps Mr. Eury's legacy alive through officers who share his same admirable and commendable spirit in Cabarrus County. Lt. Tomlin fits the mold of esteemed law enforcement officers in our community set by Robert Eury, and there is no doubt in my mind that Lt. Tomlin will continue his outstanding leadership and maintain his unwavering values while protecting and serving the people of Cabarrus County; I am excited to see what the future holds for such a dedicated law enforcement professional.

Madam Speaker, please join me today in congratulating Lt. Allen H. Tomlin, Jr. for receiving the Robert Jackson Eury Memorial Award. We all wish him well as he continues to make a positive impact on our community.

HONORING CHESTER WILSON

#### HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday. May 7, 2021

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Chester Wilson from Lexington, Kentucky. Mr. Wilson bravely served our nation during World War II. He currently resides at Thomson-Hood Veterans Center in Wilmore, Kentucky. On April 25, Mr. Wilson celebrated his 107th birthday.

Mr. Wilson graduated from Lexington's Bryan Station High School. He was the first member of his family to graduate. At the age of 29, he enlisted in the United States Navy. He served aboard the U.S.S. *Benevolence*, a Navy hospital ship, in the Pacific Theater. He was a pharmacist mate 3rd class.

After the war, Mr. Wilson worked as a federal agent at bourbon distilleries and later worked for the Treasury Department. He retired in 1974. He and his late wife Margaret have a daughter, Brenda Wilson, a stepson Jack Whitaker, and two grandchildren.

It is my honor to recognize this amazing patriot, celebrate his 107th birthday, and appreciate him for his service and sacrifice to our nation during World War II. As a part of "The Greatest Generation", Mr. Wilson was an important part of the war effort to preserve the freedoms that we enjoy today. I am forever grateful for Americans like Chester Wilson.

HONORING THE 15TH ANNIVER-SARY OF THE CALIPSO SAT-ELLITE MISSION

### HON. ELAINE G. LURIA

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, May 7, 2021

Mrs. LURIA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the CALIPSO satellite mission upon the 15th anniversary of its space-based lidar measurements. CALIPSO's unique observations have revolutionized our knowledge of the vertical distributions of clouds and of layers of dust, smoke, and pollution. These findings have also greatly improved our understanding of how these vertical distributions affect climate, weather, and air quality. CALIPSO data are widely used by the international science community and academia, and this data has contributed to significant new findings by state and U.S. government agencies, including NASA, the NOAA, the DoD, the USDA, and the EPA.

CALIPSO measurements are the foundation of over 3200 peer-reviewed publications that have appeared since the mission launched on April 28, 2006—a tremendous accomplishment for a first-of-its-kind measurement system. Furthermore, CALIPSO discoveries now appear in textbooks for the next generation of climate scientists.

NASA Langley Research Center in Hampton, Virginia, manages CALIPSO with operations accomplished through a strong and enduring partnership with the French Space Agency, Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales (CNES). The mission's longevity and scientific success is a testament to international collaboration, especially when it is employed to solve global issues.

NASA Langley is now looking forward to developing new instruments needed to improve our understanding of extreme weather events and regional climate change. The next generation spaceborne lidar, which has been identified for a new observing system, will build upon knowledge and experience gained from CALIPSO and will benefit from innovative technology developments now underway at NASA Langley.

CALIPSO continues to be an on-going tribute to NASA's tremendous can-do spirit and engineering excellence. While CALIPSO began its challenging mission with an expected lifetime of only 3 years, it has continued to deliver valuable measurements for 15 years. The longevity of the mission and the large number of scientific discoveries emerging from CALIPSO is a huge credit to the project and to the Agency.

With these many accomplishments, it is my honor to recognize the 15th anniversary of CALIPSO's launch, and I wish the international mission team continued success in the future.

#### RECOGNIZING PROFESSOR MICHAEL ROCHE

# HON. DUSTY JOHNSON

OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 7, 2021

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Professor Michael Roche of Vermillion as the first recipient of the Spirit of South Dakota Award.

The Spirit of South Dakota Award was created to celebrate and honor South Dakotans that display unusual perseverance, compassion, and innovation, and are beloved by their community.

Michael Roche has been a professor at the University of South Dakota since 1974 where he taught courses on criminal justice and criminal law. During his nearly fifty years of teaching, Roche has made a lasting impact on students and faculty alike. Among his list of impressive accomplishments, he was named the 2001 South Dakota Professor of the year by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

Roche is also the author of numerous books and articles on the criminal justice system and worked extensively inside the South Dakota penal system. I can say with certainty that South Dakota's criminal justice system is better off because of his work.

While Professor Roche may be retiring from USD, he is leaving behind a legacy in the halls of USD and in the hearts of his students. Professor Roche truly exemplifies the Spirit of South Dakota and I'm honored to present him with the first award.

# RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF BILLY F. MURPHY

## HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 7, 2021

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the service of Colonel Billy F. Murphy of Tupelo. He has served honorably in the Mississippi Air National Guard, and I join my fellow guardsmen in celebrating his commitment to this country the State of Mississippi.

Colonel Murphy is a Tupelo native and graduated from Tupelo High School. In 1991 he was commissioned in the U.S. Navy through the University of Mississippi Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps. Over the course of his service, he has accumulated more than 1500 flight hours. During his active duty, he participated in 49 combat flight missions in support of operations Souther Watch, Deny Flight and Desert Strike. Colonel Murphy has served nearly 30 years in the United States Military in three different branches. In 2018 he was promoted to the rank of Colonel and began his service as director of staff at the Mississippi Air National Guard. In July of